

***Sixth meeting of the IAOA Executive Council (EC)
Public Report (8 July 2009)***

Attendees:

- Nicola Guarino (chair)
- John Bateman
- Stefano Borgo
- Paul Buitelaar
- Antony Galton
- Michael Gruninger
- Mark Musen
- Laure Vieu
- Peter Yim

The EC discussed different ways to gather the interest of people in the association and to keep people already registered informed of the EC activities. A short introduction to ontology will be put in the IAOA web page to provide information on the topic of the association and to clarify to members and interested people the perspectives and interests of the association. A welcome message will be sent to the IAOA-general mailing list to inform on the activities so far, the process to set up the formal registration web site and the overall status of the association.

The web page to collect members' data and for the link to the payment site will be set up quickly in order to have the registration available in a few weeks. Subsequently, when the size of the association becomes clear, the EC will consider whether more sophisticated management tools are needed.

The EC is considering the option of extending the EC to observers. There is agreement on the opportunity to systematically invite people for specific reasons (e.g. to collaborate on a specific topic). The EC will return on this issue to establish a guideline.

Finally, some people have been appointed as responsible for specific issues:

- Buitelaar on advertisement.
- Galton and Vieu on education.
- Yim and Borgo on the IAOA bylaws.
- Bateman and Yim on technological issues.

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